

Mary (Luke 1:26-35)(37)(2:19)

Many people do a put on a pedestal for the wrong reason. Some people are called stars or celebrities because they look a certain way, say a certain thing, or act a certain way. Not because of who they really are. Mary is a great example of this. Many religions put Mary on a high pedestal and even go so far as to pray to or worship Mary. But the Bible knows nothing of such a practice. However it would do us good to look at this highly fancied young woman, and take from her example some very important lessons that we can include to live entirely right.

I. Mary was Useable - Although Mary was a person a sinner just like you and me, yet she was a virtuous woman. When the angel said that she was going to have a baby, she said this is impossible, she had never been married or known a man. She tried to do what the Bible said when it came to life + marriage. Now I don't think any of you are marrying age, yet do you try to be goodly. God can use anybody. But God selects.

II. Mary was flexible - She was believed to Joseph. Legally binding. All the plans have been made and this angel

shows up and changes the plans. Not every  
thing goes as plan. Preacher was preach  
on the Star one Christmas. Every letter of STAR  
held by child. RATS. Not everything goes to  
plan. But Mary knew that God was working  
in the middle of her confusion. His purposes  
Be flexible. Rom 8:28 <sup>things we put together</sup> And we know that all

### III. Mary was Believing - Vs 45 -

When the angel told Mary these  
things, she didn't instantly have a big  
old pregnant belly. She simply took the  
angel at his word. Do you know what  
faith is? Faith is taking God at his  
word. Heb 11:6 But w/o faith it is imposs-  
ible to please "God". Before there was  
ever a sign that what God said came to  
pass, she took God at his word. Do you have Faith

### IV. Mary was Thankful - (46-50)

This  
is called the the Magnificat - Mary  
was thanking and praising the Lord.  
Notice she called God my saviour.  
With her own life she is saying that I am  
a sinner in need of a saviour. She is  
saying thank you Lord for looking down  
and being merciful to someone as low  
as me. We all could be more thankful  
to God.

### V. Close -

Mary was not a God or queen  
a celebrity - a little lonely, resent girl  
that God graciously used. He can use